ARTICLE 4. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES

R4-23-411. Pharmacist-administered <u>Adult</u> Immunizations

- Authority to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallbox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an adult. As used in this Section, "adult" means an eligible patient 18 years of age or older. If a pharmacist meets the qualifications and standards specified by this Section and the Board certifies the pharmacist, the pharmacist may, upon receipt of a valid prescription order, administer hepatitis. influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations vaccines listed in the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule, published October 1, 2008, and no future amendments or editions, which is incorporated by reference, vaccines recommended in the CDC Health Information for International Travel 2008. published May 15, 2007, and no future amendments or editions, which is incorporated by reference, and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an eligible adult patient 18 years of age and older upon receipt of a valid prescription order. The documents incorporated by reference are on file with the Board and available from the CDC at http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/adult-schedule.htm and
 - http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/adult-schedule.htm and http://wwwn.cdc.gov/travel/contentYellowBook.aspx, The Board shall certify a pharmacist who meets the qualifications established in subsection (B). A pharmacist who has authority to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an adult shall not delegate the authority to any other pharmacist or employee.
- **B.** Qualifications for authorization to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an adult. After receipt of a completed application form, the Board shall issue a certificate authorizing the administration of hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an adult to a pharmacist who meets the following qualifications:
 - 1. Has a current, unrestricted license to practice pharmacy in this state;
 - 2. Successfully completes a training program specified in subsection (C); and
 - 3. Has a current certificate in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- C. Pharmacist-administered <u>adult</u> immunizations training program requirements. A training program for pharmacists to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine <u>to an adult</u> shall include the following courses of study:
 - 1. Basic immunology and the human immune response;
 - 2. Mechanics of immunity, adverse effects, dose, and administration schedule of available vaccines;
 - 3. Response to an emergency situation as a result of the administration of an immunization, including administering epinephrine and diphenhydramine to

- counteract the adverse effects of an immunization given based on a patientspecific prescription order received before administering the immunization;
- 4. Administration of intramuscular injections;
- 5. Other immunization administration methods; and
- 6. Recordkeeping and reporting requirements specified in subsection (D).
- **D.** Recordkeeping and reporting requirements.
 - 1. In addition to filing the prescription order as required in A.R.S. § 32-1964, a pharmacist granted authorization under this Section to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine to an adult shall provide to the pharmacy and the pharmacist-in-charge shall maintain in the pharmacy for a minimum of seven years the following documentation regarding each immunization administered:
 - a. The name, address, and date of birth of the patient;
 - b. The date of administration and site of injection;
 - c. The name, dose, manufacturer's lot number, and expiration date of the vaccine or, in an emergency, epinephrine, or diphenhydramine;
 - d. The name and address of the patient's primary health care provider, as identified by the patient;
 - e. The name and address of the prescribing medical practitioner, if different from the patient's primary health care provider;
 - f. The name of the pharmacist administering the immunization;
 - g. A record of the pharmacist's consultation with the patient determining that the patient is an eligible patient as defined in R4-23-110;
 - h. The date that the written report specified in subsection (D)(2) was sent to the patient's primary health care provider;
 - i. Consultation or other professional information provided to the patient by the pharmacist; and
 - j. The name of the vaccine information sheet provided to the patient.
 - 2. The pharmacist shall provide a written report to the patient's primary health care provider containing the documentation required in subsection (D)(1) within 14 days of the immunization. The pharmacy shall make the required records specified in subsection (D)(1) available in the pharmacy for inspection by the Board or its designee.
 - 3. A pharmacy's pharmacist-in-charge shall maintain the records required in subsection (D)(1) in the pharmacy for a minimum of seven years from the immunization's administration date.
- **E.** Confidentiality of records. A pharmacist, pharmacy permittee, or pharmacist-incharge shall comply with applicable state and federal privacy statutes and rules when releasing patient health information.
- F. Renewal of a certificate for pharmacist-administered <u>adult</u> immunizations. A certificate authorizing a pharmacist to administer hepatitis, influenza, meningococcal, pneumococcal, smallpox, and tetanus booster immunizations and, in an emergency, epinephrine and diphenhydramine <u>to an adult</u> shall be renewed biennially by submitting a renewal request within the 30 days before the certificate's

expiration date. Any \underline{A} pharmacist desiring to renew the certificate shall provide to the Board proof of the following:

- 1. Current certification in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and
- 2. Completion of a minimum of two contact hours (0.2 CEU) of continuing education related to immunizations. A pharmacist may use the continuing education hours required in this subsection as part of the total continuing education hours required for pharmacist license renewal.